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**Attorney Docket No. 3806.0497-00**  
**Customer No. 22,852**

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In re Application of:

**Pascal DESMAZEAU et al.**

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In reply to the Office Action dated December 11, 2001, the period for response to which has been extended until March 11, 2002, by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time and fee payment, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

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Please replace pending claims 18 and 31 with the respective amended versions thereof, as follows:

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